

On Friday, August 26, when Katrina crossed Florida's tip, it wasn't a terrible storm. But still four people were killed because they went outside during the storm. On Saturday, when we heard of these preventable deaths, I announced to everyone in the house a new rule. No one goes out side during the storm. Mid-mourning on the 29th, as the storm's rage was increasing, a piece of latticework from the side of the house blows out into the garden. Since it was only a few feet from the house and would only take seconds to retrieve it, I decided to venture out and save it. My wife reminded me of the new rule. We have a hatch that goes to under the house from the back porch without going outside. I used this to crawl over to the spot and reach for the latticework. As I neared the spot a 78-year-old pine tree falls on the latticework. The ground shook so hard it felt like an earthquake. The force of that tree hitting the ground buried a limb of the tree five feet into the earth. Had I been there, I would be dead.

Bill

[REDACTED]

Jeff Davis
Waveland Ms. 395-76

Bill [redacted]

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Dear Santa,

We are from Waveland and our home ~~was at~~ is at

[redacted] Jeff Davis Ave

We are now living at:

Address: [redacted] Jeff Davis Ave

City Waveland State MS Zipcode 39576

Phone No. [redacted]

Our family consists of:

2 People - My Wife & My Self

Our Katrina experience was:

Write something special that you would like Santa to bring you or your family:

Peace - Relief from stress. A large portion
of faith to get us thru the months ahead.
If we all work together & support each other
we can get back to a normal quite coastal life

Please use back or another sheet of paper, if you want to write more. We want to hear your story.

Return by November 30th to:

Mayor's Office, City of Waveland, P. O. Box 539, Waveland, MS 39576